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Title: PROCESS FOR PREPARING PURIFIED FRACTIONS
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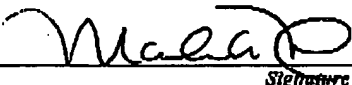
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- Amendment in response to Office Action dated July 8, 2005

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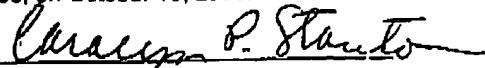
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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Because October 8, 2005 fell on a Saturday and Monday, October 10, 2005 is a Federal holiday, the three-month deadline for responding to the Office Action is October 11, 2005.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.